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: VEHICLE WHEEL ASSEMBLY AND CLADDING THEREFORE

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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